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MILITARISM RULES SPAIN.

Otogenarian Weyler, the former chief-of-staff of the Spanish army, will probably return to his job. The utterly inhuman dictator of Cuba, whose brutal disregard of the rights of noncombatants and the horrors of his camps of reconcentrados had much to do with bringing about the war with the United States, is on top again. His resignation will be withdrawn. The Maura ministry has fallen, and with it the minister of war who clashed with Weyler.

Juan de la Cierva refused to take Weyler's dictation. He read the riot act to the juntas of army officers. He made an apparently honest effort to restore civilian control such as the constitution of Spain contemplates, and without which parliamentary responsibility cannot exist, or, indeed, a free government. He has gone down.

Which means that militarism rules the Spain of today; that the Cortes lack power to enforce their constitutional authority; that King Alfonso reigns over a people that is not free, and reigns at the mercy of a military cabal. How long the people or the king will tolerate this condition we do not know. Be we are certain that it does not make for progress, and that in a world where democratic forms of government are becoming almost universal Spain stands as a shocking object lesson in retrogression.—Brooklyn Eagle.

NOT PRACTICING WHAT HE PREACHES

Henry Ford is shouting for fiat money but commercial reports tell us that when he sells a lot of Ford automobiles in Europe he demands gold or its equivalent in payment. Fortunately that Mr. Ford is not sitting in the Senate helping to make laws for the government, for he apparently would not adopt in government business the same principles he does in his private business.



Like the adventures of a certain "Alice in Wonderland," beautiful, golden-haired Alice Terry, stepped into the "movies" and with only a few months as an extra girl, was cast in the chief feminine lead of "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," a Rex Ingram production for Metro Pictures Corporation coming to the Washington opera house next week.

For this eighteen-year-old high school girl, whose beauty and grace stand out in this colossal picturization of the world-famous novel by Vicente Blasco Ibanez, as adapted by June Mathis, actually sauntered into the movies and found a place all waiting for her.

It was not with deep design nor because she was an ardent picture fan that modern Alice became a heroine in movie wonderland, for until the day when she went on a visit to the Hollywood studios, the girl who today is known from coast to coast had never been innoculated with the camera germ.

In her little native town of Vincennes, Indiana, her early girlhood was spent in acquiring those arts which

one can easily picture as being the premiere qualifications for a gently nurtured young lady. Then five years ago she came to Los Angeles with her parents and continued her schooling with no thought of the fact that she was a resident of the capital of the film world.

But one day Alice heeded the pleadings of one of her girl friends to go with her to the studios where the girl friend was playing the part of an "extra." She talked with the director and a few minutes later was sharing a dressing room with a number of other extras and being initiated into the art of making up.

Alice had come to movie wonderland.

Then like the traditional Alice in Wonderland, things began to happen with dizzy speediness for the little school girl and soon she was playing a prominent part in "Shore Acres," which Rex Ingram directed for Metro and when Mr. Ingram started gathering his cast of principals for "The Four Horsemen," Miss Terry was signed the leading feminine role.

PRESBYTERIANS HOLD SESSIONS IN ASHLAND.

Ashland, Ky., Jan. 23 — A conference of delegates from the Presbyterian churches from Maysville to Pikeville was held at the Presbyterian church this afternoon.

Dr. George H. Mack, chairman of the New Era Movement of the church in this district, was in charge of the conference. Speakers at the session were the Rev. Charles Ryan Adams of Springfield, Ohio, formerly district secretary at Chicago; the Rev. W. A. Elsenhans of Bowling Green; the Rev. Dr. B. J. Bush and Mrs. E. H. Porter, president of the women's synodical.

MAFFI FAVORED BY ITALIAN INTERESTS.

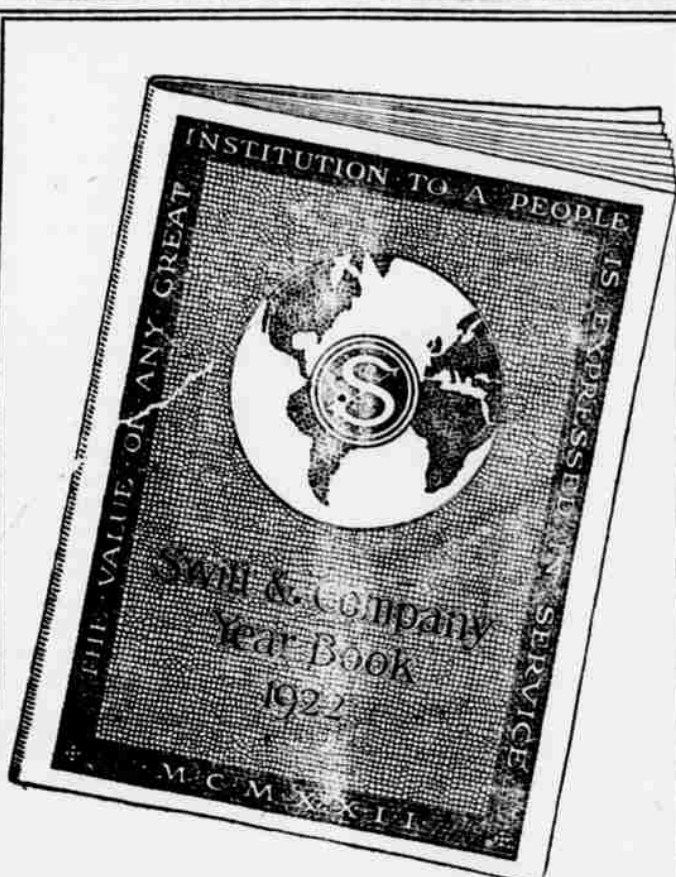
Rome, January 24. — While there seems to be no doubt that the next Pope will be an Italian, the newspapers draw a difference between Italian popes, expressing the hope that the next pontiff may be one who will put an end to the long discord

between the church and the Italian government. Seemingly for that reason, Cardinal Maffi, arch-bishop of Pisa, is universally favored by the Italians, judging from the comment, and in virtually all the newspapers his name appears at the head of the list for the tiara of St. Peter.

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Financial conditions and heavy taxes have directed much attention to the proposed twentieth amendment to the Federal Constitution. It affects all taxpayers without regard to political affiliations.

Three resolutions providing for an amendment to permit Federal taxation of state and municipal bonds have been introduced and referred to Congressional committees.

They are all in harmony with the recommendation of President Harding's message to Congress.

"I think our tax problem, the tendency of wealth to seek non-taxable investment, and the menacing increase of public debt, Federal, state and municipal, — all justify a proposal to change the Constitution so as to end the issue of non-taxable bonds."

The last resolution introduced, that by Representative W. R. Green, of Iowa, is received with favor because it prohibits and discrimination between Federal and state securities. The Ways and Means committee of the House has it under consideration. It would add as the amendment the following:

"That from and after the adoption of this amendment as part of the Constitution the provisions of the sixteenth amendment to the Constitution shall apply to and include income derived from securities thereafter issued or created by any state or political subdivision thereof, or any dependency of the United States; but taxes on incomes derived from such securities must be laid without discrimination in favor of income derived from other securities of the same term and general class issued or created after the adoption of this amendment as part of the Constitution."

A centenarian of Aldershot, England, is recorded as having lost his first tooth at the age of 102.
The Crown of Hungary consists of two diadems, one dating back to 1,000 and the other to 1072.

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